

## CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION VICTORIA

Minutes of Council Meeting held at 55 Walsh Street, West Melbourne, on Monday, 20th September, 1976.

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PRESENT : Mr. H.J. Lyons (Chairman), and Messrs. B. Macintosh, E. Long, R. Naismith, O. Slattery, M. Rundle, B.A. Smith (VCCA) and J. Rigby (Secretary).

APOLOGIES : Messrs. J.R. Schulz, J. Bainbridge and J. Mason.

MINUTES : The Minutes of the last Council Meeting, 16th August, 1976, as circulated were confirmed.

### CORRESPONDENCE :

C.F.A. re Columbo Plan Fellow.

Mr. R. Naismith agreed to look after Mr. Ghani on Thursday, 21st October, 1976.

Mr. C. Thompson re Mildura Seminar.

Mr. Thompson reported very poor response and interest in a seminar.

Also we have had no reply from Mr. Brown, Kyabram, regarding a seminar in that area.

Mr. B. Smith (VCCA) agreed to follow this up and contact these people.

### GENERAL BUSINESS :

'State Minister for Co-operatives'. This was discussed and it was felt that in principle it was desirable. It was agreed to contact the N.S.W. Federation for information regarding the duties and what advantages such a Minister has in their State.

### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE :

Details of each States Co-operation Acts are being studied.

### CO-OPERATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE :

The Registrar has promised that the Co-operation Act will be reviewed in 1977.

### ANNUAL CONGRESS :

Printing arrangements were left in the hands of Mr. B. Macintosh and invitation to be forwarded to as many Co-operatives as possible.

### APPROVED INDUSTRIES 1977-78:

The following Industries are to be recommended to the Annual Congress -

Consumer Trading.  
Credit Unions.  
Dairy Produce - Manufacturing.  
Dairy Produce - Wholesale Marketing.  
Farm Herd Improvement.  
Fishing.  
Fruit.  
Grain Growers.  
Horticultural.  
Housing Finance.  
Insurance.  
Land.  
Meat.  
Office Management.  
Phosphate.  
Wool.

CO-OPERATIVE WEEK :

The Sub-Committee recommend that no action be taken this year due to the lack of time, but steps be taken to organise activities for next year.

VCCA :

Mr. B. Smith advised that VCCA is organising a supplement in the Sunday Observer for 18th October publishing Credit Unions and also the Co-operative movement.

It was agreed that this Federation contribute \$400 towards this supplement to enable an additional 2 pages in the supplement.

Mr. M. Rundle agreed to assist with some information for an appropriate article.

NEXT MEETING :

Monday, 25th October, 1976.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.50 p.m.

Confirmed :

 25/10/76